High School Chatter....

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C. T. Moses, Jr.

As an interested citizen and friend of the Appomattox County Schools, I should like to say that I am intensely interested in seeing a gymnasium added to our school for both healthful and recreational purposes.

It would be preferable to have it added to our present school plant as originally outlined by the architects of the school. However, since this seems to be a "financial impossibility," perhaps the best solution would be a conversion of the present auditorium into a gym. The present high school from which I graduated "too many" years ago, had this combination. It served both purposes adequately.

Sincerely,
Violet Ramsey Harwood.

During the past weeks we have been hearing in our papers and community about the need for a gymnasium at Appomattox. The State Board of Education requires for each pupil one class a day in physical training because through trained instruction physical defects are discovered and sometimes corrected, physical fitness and alertness developed, good sportsmanship, leadership, sharing and other character building qualities are stressed. In some communities a combination auditorium and gymnasium is used; let's consider the pros and cons here.

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—By: Lewis Garrett,
Interested Appomattox High School Student.

(Editor's Note: Several other articles on the school subject are on on our desk. We invite others. Thus far the Times-Virginian has had no comment of its own on this matter, preferring to see what the people felt, what they wanted, and also we desire to afford school authorities adequate time to offer their own solutions. In the meantime, we invite our readers to keep on writing! Be as brief as you can, for we reserve the right to condense letters. And sign your letter. No unsigned communications will be published.)

DON'T BE AN OSTRICH

Several new projects aimed at the prevention and control of tuberculosis in Appomattox County will be included in the 1950 program, Mrs. Reginald Speir announced today.

Of foremost importance is the X-Ray survey which will be carried out in Appomattox the week of March, and the first week in April, the exact date and location of the mobile X-Ray units to be announced later.

That tuberculosis can be wiped out is evidenced by the fact that the National Tuberculosis Association in its first 40 years of existence, helped reduce the tuberculosis death rate by 80 per cent, a saving of 4,000,000 lives since 1904. We know that if every unknown case is located, and if every tuberculosis patient is given adequate care, with precautions to prevent him from spreading the disease to others, we can eventually wipe out tuberculosis. We know that the unknown cases can be found if the entire adult population has periodic chest X-Ray examinations.

With these facts in mind, it is the hope of the Appomattox Tuberculosis Association under the leadership of Mrs. Reginald Speir, with the direction and assistance of the Health Clinic and the civic clubs, to conduct a house-to-house canvass to explain more fully the vital importance of every person of Appomattox County 15 years of age and over to have a chest X-Ray made when the mobile unit is in the neighborhood. Volunteer workers will be needed to make this campaign a success, and presidents of civic clubs will receive a letter to this effect and it is hoped they will respond by returning a list of members of their organization who will lend their services to the mobile clinic and the Association.

Posters will be displayed about the county and a contest offering a 1st and 2nd prize to the elementary and 1st and 2nd prize to the high school boy and girl who enters the best poster, judged on neatness, originality and pertinacity.

A prize will also be given to the child who is personally responsible for the greatest number of adults attending the mobile unit X-Ray.

The prizes have been given by a number of local business places.

Fredericksburg Wowan's College asks for increased funds.

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High School Chatter

Why They Drop-Out Of High School

When it is graduation day at our high school, for every forty of us who march up to receive diplomas there are going to be sixty ghosts in the stage. They're the teens who would be our fellow graduates, but somewhere between the fifth grade and junior year of high, they dropped out of school.

It's a chronic problem in our country. In some states only about one hundred out of every thousand 5th graders ever get to be high school seniors. Even in the highest-ranking state it's only seven hundred and forty-one out of one thousand. . . .

Many a sample study has been made to answ why, where, how students drop out of high school. Some gives the complete picture, and they show startling similarities, whether they've been taken in Kentucky, New Jersey, Indiana, Virginia or schools at other points of the compass.

First and second year high school invariably show the highest losses. Third year high has a slightly lower drop-out; fourth year has the least, but so close to the goal, still enough to be tragic.

Studies show that most high school dropouts leave at about age sixteen, in a number of states, the age of the legal requirement for staying in school. Practically all drop-outs, of all ages, give the same two major reasons for their leaving. First is disinterest and discouragement. Some of their explanations are: "I wasn't interested in school work . . . couldn't learn in school and was discouraged . . . was failing and didn't want to repeat grade . . . disliked a certain teacher . . . disliked a certain subject . . . could earn more out school than in school." Second most often stated reason is financial - with teens explaining that they need money either to help out at home or to stay in school comfortably or happily. All other reasons mentioned add to only a minor per cent, compared to these.

Much proof exists that employment odds are high against the drop-out. Even if he does find a job that doesn't require high school graduation, it won't be a promising one. His salary will be low to start, and low throughout life; unfortunately (and we say it because of the odds that exist against getting a full education) income bracket does depend to a great extent on educational background. There's also proof that his chances of an automobile accident on the job are multiplied, partly because of his youth, partly because he usually has no choice but to go into occupations with the worst working conditions and hazards. And, though more difficult to prove in black and white, the drop-out is handicapped in all the other important aspects of living: marriage, leisure, citizenship, social interests.

Another obvious point is the fact that psychologically the drop-out carries a memory of failure, of leaving unfinished an important area of his life. And suppose he does, some day, try to finish high school at night: he'll carry a heavier burden and expense, for a longer time, than he would have by staying in school. Schools realize their responsibility for high drop-out rates. Educators know what we need, but education alone can't work miracles. A Commission on Life Adjustment Education under direction of the United States Office of Education, has outlined the five main areas of life for which schools should be preparing students: marriage and parenthood, consumer and financial responsibility, citizenship, work and creative use of leisure.

What sort of welcome do freshmen get at our high school? Do you know that many drop out in the first year simply because they are so confused, lonely, unable to cope with high school atmosphere, they see no point in continuing? The smile, handshake, "I" be around if you need me" can be highly reassuring in the big hold corridors with their banging lockers, stamping feet and rows of unknown doors.

The best thing we can do about the drop-out problem is to care.

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Home Agent's Schedule

Home Demonstration Agent's schedule, week of February 20, 25:

The demonstration for each club meeting will be making master mixes.

Monday, Feb. 20.- The Bethany Home Demonstration Club meets at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Hunter Martin. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. W. W. Jennings and Miss Ora Paulette. Note the change of date.

Monday, Feb. 20.- The Pamplin Home Demonstration Club meets at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. L. N. Ligon. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. Ligon and Mrs. McCall.

Tuesday, Feb. 21.- The Appomattox Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Ivey Coolland. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. H. B. Pack and Mrs. Robert Hubbard.

Wed., Feb. 22.- The Spout Spring Home Demonstration Club meets at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. J. C. Garner. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. D. P. Moon and Miss Virginia Shirey.

Thurs., Feb. 23.- The Oakgrove Home Demonstration Club meets at 2:00 P. M., with Mrs. W. D. Hunter, Jr. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Lowell Fleshman.

Friday, Feb. 24.- The James River Home Demonstration Club meets at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Walter Phelps. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. Phelps and Mrs. Anbrey Moore.

List of Farm Soil Practices

For the benefit of farmers who have not reviewed Appomattox County's handbook for the 1950 Agricultural Conservation Program, Bennett Harding, PMA County chairman, briefed the conservation practices for which ACP assistance will be available this year. They are:

Liming materials, superphosphate or potash or both in mixed fertilizers applied to eligible crops; winter cover crops, summer legumes and lespedeza, contain strip cropping, sod waterways, open ditch drainage, tile drainage, pasture development, forest tree planting, forest stand improvement, mowing weeds in pasture. This assistance in the form of materials or money represents on the average about 65 per cent of the farmer's out-of-pocket cost of the practices.

Mr. Harding reminded farmers that the Appomattox PMA County Committee has set March 1 as the date by which farmers must execute 1950 ACP worksheets on which they indicate the conservation practices they intend to carry out during the coming year.

1950 ACP worksheets may be signed in the PMA county office at Appomattox. County and community committeemen will gladly assist.

To Try New Method

The State Highway Department this spring will experiment in the Lynchburg highway construction district with a new combination of chemicals which may speed the decay of roadside stumps and bring about a sizable savings in the cost of brush cutting.

Chemically known as 2, 4, 5-T plus 2, 4-D, the combination, according to highway officials, may solve a long-standing problem posed by stumps which remain after brush has been cut along a road.

In each of the state's eight highway construction districts, experimental roadside sections will be selected and the chemical compound applied shortly after the brush has been cut. Applied by hand from a mule-drawn sprayer, the chemical is said to kill the stump and cause it to decay before another brush-cutting season. Also, it may kill any smaller growth in the immediate area.

Acheson beleives Red China not to gain by new Soviet pact.

Hampden-Sydney gets a gift of $50,000.

A H S Divides 2 Ball Games

The Appomattox High School girls defeated New London in a league game Tuesday night at the Concord gymnasium. Barbara Johnson was high scorer with 36 points, followed by Beatrice Petty with 8 points. On defense Helen Mae Poe, Ann Goad and Joyce Christian played well. Final score: Appomattox 48, New London 31. The A. H. S. girls have won 3 and lost 2 in their league so far this season.

A. H. S. boys lost to New London by a score of 50 to 26. It was a close game in the first half, but New London pulled in the second half. Due to rain, the team had not been able to have practice, and the result was that while A. H. S. had plenty of tries at the basket, the shots were off, with a low percentage of goals. Sam Ferguson was the top A. H. S. scorer and was followed by John Chandler.

The boys and girls teams play at New London Friday night, and then will play Concord at Concord next Tuesday night, February 21.

Dimes Drive Raised $1200

T. DeWitt Evans, County Chairman for the March of Dimes fund, announced today that contributions amounting to approximately $1200 have been reported. He thanked all who participated in the drive, either as a worker or contributor. He asks that any solicitors who have not reported, kindly do so at once, so the county's final report can be filed.

Livestock Data To Be Asked in Farm Census

Farmers will be asked to report the number of livestock on farms in 1950 and livestock products sold in 1949 when the 1950 census of agriculture is taken in April in Appomattox County as a part of the Seventeenth Decennial Census of the United States.

The results of the 1950 Census of Agriculture when compared with reports for earlier censuses will show changes in the livestock industry in the United States. According to the 1945 Census of Agriculture, the value of livestock and livestock products sold in 1944 amounted to $8,645 million.

In 1945, there were 82.6 million cattle and calves on farms, 46.7 million hogs and 41.2 million sheep and lambs.

This year's questionnaire will ask, "How many cattle, calves, hogs and pigs were slaughtered on the farm in 1949?

"How much was received from the sale of meat, lard and hides?"

Farmers will also report on sales of whole milk, cream and other dairy products sold in 1949. When the census taker calls, he will ask the farmer to report the number of cows and heifers milked the day before, gallons of milk produced, and the pounds of butter churned on the farm the previous week.

Poultry and eggs sold and poultry raised on farms will be reported for the calendar year sold 1949.

Every decade since 1840 and every five years since 1920, the Bureau of the Census has collected information about farms and farm production. An accurate report will help to keep the records straight in comparing this year with previous censuses.

Highway Department Prepares For Spring

The State Highway Department is dusting off its 1,600 roadside picnic tables to make ready for an expected heavy use this spring and summer.

A department spokesman said plans for this year include:

Replacing some 400 lightly-constructed tables with tables of more sturdy construction;

Placing additional tables at points where use was particularly heavy last year, and

Shifting many tables from their present locations to areas considered more attractive and inviting.

Original Furniture From The McLean House

Above: Congressman W. M. Abbitt inspects original furnishings of the Appomattox McLean House, now on exhibit in Smithsonian Institute in Washington. The chair on Mr. Abbitt's left is the original chair used by General Robert E. Lee at the Surrender House at the time of the surrender. In the background is a secretary from the McLean House.

Wide World photo.

Income Tax Aid Offered

J. H. O'Brien, Commissioner of the Revenue, announced today that C. E. Hudson, deputy collector of internal revenue, would be in Appomattox, in Mr. O'Brien's office, on February 20 and 21. He will gladly assist anyone in filling out income tax forms. Those wishing aid are asked to bring W2 Slips.

Mr. Clifford W. Burks

Mr. Clifford Winston Burks, 79, who operated a sawmill at Gladstone for many years, died unexpectedly of a heart attack at his home in that community February 12. Mr. Burks was the son of the late Charles H. and Diana Burkley Burks. He was a member of Maple Grove Church.

Surviving him are his wife, Mattie R. Burks; two sons, Walter W. and Ivey W. Burks, both of Gladstone; four daughters, Mrs. H. E. Bryant, and Mrs. R. Bryant, both of Winston, and Mrs. Thomas Gunter and Mrs. W. C. Childress, of Gladstone; and two sisters, Mrs. M. S. McCormick, of Gladstone, and Mrs. Beulah Pyles, of Madison Heights.

Funeral services were conducted from the home Tuesday at 3 P. M., by the Rev. W. T. Stowe, of Lynchburg. Burial was in the family cemetery. Active pallbearers were: Clifford Childress, William Childress, Jeremiah Childress, Clayton Bryant, Dan Bryant and Oscar Bryant.

Major Events To Draw Visitors To Virginia

Richmond, Feb. 15.- Virginia will have fifty major events that will attract out-of-state visitors to the Old Dominion this spring, according to a new publication entitled Spring Events in Virginia that has just been issued by the Virginia Travel Council with the aid of the State Commission on Conservation and Development. The publication will be placed in the hands of travel directors throughout the east.

Advertised as events such as Garden Week in Virginia, the Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival at Winchester, the dedication of the McLean House at Appomattox National Monument, the principal racing events and regattas scheduled through the month of June and a number of pilgrimages and observances at Stratford, Jamestown, Cape Henry and elsewhere throughout the state.

Fishing seasons are also advertised and this information is to be supplemented shortly through the publication of a special fishing guide to Virginia.

OYSTER SUPPER

There will be an oyster supper at Stonewall school house on Saturday evening, February 18. Also ice cream, pie and cake. Supper will be served from 5 to 9 P. M. The Stonewall Parent-Teacher Association is sponsoring the supper.

Vegetable Gardening Suggestions Available

Vegetable gardening time not far off—and if you're one of the folks who are trying to figure out what to plant this coming spring, you'll be interested in Extension Service Circular 475 on "Vegetable Gardening Suggestions."

The circular is available without cost from the Extension Service at Blacksburg, or at the local County Agent's office.

Funeral of Mr. Mann

Funeral services for Mr. Richard Morton Mann, 79, who died at his home near Mt. Airy last Thursday, were conducted from the Hollywood Baptist Church, this county, at 3:00 P. M. Saturday. Burial was made in the Bagby family cemetery.

Square Dance At Spout Spring

There will be a square dance at the Spout Spring school February 18, from 7:30 to 12 midnight. It is for the benefit of the school lunch room. Admission 50c for adults, 25c for children under 12. Lots of fun and eats.

Seventeen survive crash of B-36 on Canadian West Coast.

Richmond U. defeats V. M. I. in basketball at Lexington.

Lack of coal may close schools in Washington.

Legislature Ready for State Budget

Richmond, Feb. 15.- The biennial budget bill, appropriating the funds for operation of the state government for the next two years, may reach the House floor late this week and come up for passage by February 20.

The appropriations committee is working steadily to whip the big money bill into shape for a report as soon as possible. Chairman Howard H. Adams of Northampton, will pilot the measure through the lower branch of the General Assembly. If passed early next week, the Senate then would have three weeks in which to complete action on the bill. It carries the money for schools, health, mental hospitals, and all the various activities of the state government.

Meanwhile, a considerable accumulation of major legislation moved from the House wing of the capitol to the Senate side. Governor Battle's bill to provide specific legislation authorizing seizures in time of fuel emergencies moved into position for House passage with minor changes, and is expected to get quick consideration in the Senate.

Another important bill forwarded to the Senate with 87-7 House approval was the Boatwright bill to end rent controls in Virginia. A warm debate was expected in the Senate when the bill comes up for vote.

A public hearing was held February 15 before the House Agriculture committee on two bills proposing abolition of the Virginia Milk Commission, whose price regulating powers have drawn fire.

The Senate passed with two dissenting votes an amount to the House the Moses-Watson-Parmele bill to permit formation of non-profit telephone cooperatives.

All proposed liquor-by-the-drink bills were defeated last week in the House General Laws committee.

Governor Battle has signed into law the bill appropriating $45,000,000 to the localities for school construction, emphasizing that its enactment was to meet an emergency and did not establish a permanent policy.

One Day Bus Study

J. A. Burke, division superintendent of schools, announced today that there would be a one-day school bus driver's course and bus inspection here Friday, February 17. Mr. J. M. Shue, assistant supervisor of pupil transportation for the State Department of Education, will be present. Local school buses will be checked at this time.

Eight used buses were purchased this week by the county school board. One or more of them may be resold, and some of the remaining put into serviceable condition.

Foundation Meets Feb. 23

Every interested person in Appomattox County is invited to be present at the annual meeting of the Appomattox County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, to be held in the court house here at 8 P. M. on February 23.

Those especially invited to attend this meeting are doctors, nurses, health department officials, school executives and teachers, and representatives from civic and community clubs and organizations, and those interested in crippled children.

Mr. George V. Funderburk, western Virginia state representative for the National Foundation, Roanoke, will be present at this meeting. He will speak briefly on the program and activities of the Foundation. Movies will be shown.

Belgians to vote March 12th on status of King.